

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

House
Carney
March

SUBJECT (Optional)

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Alleged Roundup of Cuban Guerrillas in Honduras

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2 March 1984

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Attached is material pertaining to the Carney case. No additional information regarding this incident has come to our attention.

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SUBJECT: Alleged Roundup of Cuban Guerrillas in Honduras

The incident to which General Odom is referring is last month's Honduran military roundup of Cuban trained Honduran guerrillas in the Olancho Department. These guerrillas, none of whom were Cubans, came to the attention of the Honduran authorities in August when several of the approximately 100 member group, starving and near death, turned themselves in at remote military outposts in the Department.

Some of the early deserters have been exploited extensively for their propaganda value, although only on the local level. None of those currently in the hands of the military would seem to have the presence needed for higher levels of media exploitation since they are invariably young, basically uneducated, and somewhat disoriented. Although material dealing with general topics such as Marxism/Leninism, political economics, etc. were found, there were neither documents nor tapes outlining the objectives of the group. In sum, documents, debriefings, local studies, and the ex-guerrillas themselves all demonstrate little cause to devote time and resources to a more in-depth analysis at this time.

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SUBJECT: [] Reports Substantiate Press Accounts
of Death of RR Father James Francis Carney

[] reporting substantiates press accounts of Father Carney's death. []

[] deserters from the Cuban/Nicaraguan sponsored Honduran guerrilla movement stated that Father Carney died of starvation. These deserters reported that the former priest was so weak that for two days he had to be carried in relays by the stronger members of his group. In addition, [] there is little likelihood that his body will be recovered. Father Carney was last seen somewhere deep in the Cordillera Entre Rios, located on the Nicaraguan border in Eastern Honduras.

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